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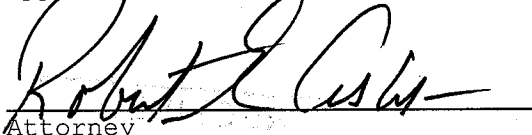
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RESOLUTION VETOING DULUTH PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
RESOLUTION 12PUC-007 ESTABLISHING WATER RATES EFFECTIVE
AFTER JULY 1, 2012.

BY COUNCILORS STAUBER AND KRAUSE:

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 2-187 of the Duluth City Code, 1959, as amended, Resolution 12PUC-007 establishing water rates effective for meter readings after July 1, 2012 approved by the Duluth public utilities commission on June 6, 2012 is hereby vetoed.

Approved as to form:


Attorney

CCREQ/ATTY REA:dma 06/07/2012

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to veto the water rate resolution approved by the Duluth Public Utilities Commission on June 6, 2012.

This veto expresses the desire of the council to not raise the water rates twice or three times again on citizens in a one-year period. Rates were most recently increased in February of this year. It also recognizes that rate increases are not tied directly with needed infrastructure improvements. The council recognizes that action on capital improvement would be part of the utility budget which has yet to be presented to the council and will not be approved until the end of the year.